

## North Carolina News Items.

**A MAN KILLED.**—Abel Benfield was stabbed and killed by Andrew Carrigan, son of Israel Carrigan, on last Friday night, about five miles west of this place. The Carrigans and Benfield left town, under the influence of liquor, near sundown, having with them a bottle of liquor. It is stated that on the way, a dispute arose between them as to who should have the bottle after the liquor was disposed of, and the result was the killing of Benfield, by young Carrigan, who has made his escape. Israel Carrigan was afterwards arrested and lodged in jail as implicated in the murder, but upon being brought before Judge Mitchell at Chambers for examination, he was released. —*Statesville American.*

**DEATH OF BEDFORD BROWN.**—Hon. Bedford Brown, one of North Carolina's most distinguished sons and one of the purest and noblest men in the State died suddenly, at his residence in Caswell county, Tuesday evening, 6th Dec., at the ripe age of 76 years. Col. Brown was a representative of another age, and was one of the few links that remained to bind us to a past when a pure love of country and a strict adherence to honorable principles were the guide and boast of the leaders of the people. He was born in Caswell county in 1795, was in 1815 for many years a member of the House of Commons, was elected to the United States Senate in 1829, and was re-elected to the same at the expiration of his first term. His name and his example will live long in the memory of the good men of the State.

**THE N. C. INSANE ASYLUM.**—We have the Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Insane Asylum of this State, for the official year ending October 31, 1870. From this report we learn that the whole number of patients admitted to the institution since its first opening is, males 534, females 372, total 906; discharged and died, for the same time, males 415, females 259, total 674; leaving on the first of November, 1870, males 118, females 114, total 232. The number of admissions during the last official year was, males 10, females 18, total 28; discharged during the year, 9 males and 12 females, total 21.

**22nd.**—A letter from Mr. Woodfin to Capt. McLoud of this place, states in substance that he has procured R. Road Iron sufficient to lay the track between Wolf Creek and Asheville, and 1,000 tons besides, which will lay the track about 11 miles west of this. He has in addition to this just received Cable dispatches from his bankers in London that a sale had been effected of the 800,000 Florida bonds turned over to him by Littlefield, and that this secures between four and five hundred thousand dollars in ready cash. If there is no further "fly up" in this matter operations on our Roads will commence at a very early day. —*Asheville Citizen.*

**DEATH BY CHLOROFORM.**—A young man of about eighteen years, Francis Watts, the son of a prominent physician of our county died suddenly in Williamston, on Thursday night, the 24th November, under the influence of chloroform. Poor Frank had been subject nearly all his life to severe attacks of nervous headache. Chloroform was the only remedy that could be found to relieve him; consequently he had become so accustomed to its use that he would frequently administer it to himself, without the advice or aid of a physician; and this sometimes when alone. Upon the evening of the fatal accident he exhibited, in the society of his young friends even more than his usual cheerfulness, until about nine o'clock, when the dreadful headache came on, and he retired to bed. His brother, Mr. John G. Watts, the Druggist, with whom he slept, soon after left the room to watch beside the dead body of a friend. He was not gone long. Returning sooner than he intended he found Frank lying too much in front of the bed. Wishing him to make room, he put his hand upon him, and called out, "Frank, move further." But there was no motion, and no response. Becoming alarmed, he snatched the cover from the face of the sleeper. *The boy was dead!* A handkerchief well saturated with chloroform, still pressed closely to his nose, told the sad tale. It had relieved the pain and lulled the poor sufferer into tranquil slumber. Very tranquil, and very long. —*Williamston Express.*

**SUPREME COURT OF N. C.**—This tribunal will assemble in Raleigh on the first Monday in January. The causes from the several Judicial Districts will be called in the following order:

- 1st week, 1st and 2nd District.
- 2nd " 4th and 5th "
- 3rd " 3rd and 6th "
- 4th " 8th and 9th "
- 5th " 10th and 11th "
- 6th " 12th and 6th "

On Monday of the first week, applicants for license to practice law will be examined on the "Rights of Property." On Tuesday they will be examined on Pleading Practice and the Code of Civil Procedure.

**GRAND LODGE OF MASONS.**—The following Grand officers were elected for the ensuing Masonic year: C. C. Clark, Grand Master; John Nichols, Senior Warden; S. H. Rountree, Junior Warden; W. E. Anderson, Treasurer; and D. W. Bain, Secretary.

**23rd.**—The Grand Chapter of North Carolina, which held its session in Wilmington elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Grand High Priest, W. H. Murdoch, Salisbury; Deputy H. P. R. B. Vance, Asheville; Grand King, John Nichols, Raleigh; Grand Scribe, H. H. Munson, Wilmington; G. T. Tins, W. Brown, Wilmington; G. Sec'y, T. B. Carr, Wilmington; G. C. H., W. Robinson, Goldsboro; G. P. S., W. Simpson, Raleigh; G. R. A., C. W. Dunn, Winston; G. M., 3d V., T. M. Gardner, Wilmington; G. M., 1st V., C. M. Van Orsdell, Wilmington; G. Tyler, E. Terrellington; Committee on Foreign Correspondence, John Nichols, R. B. Vance, H. H. Munson; Finance Committee, A. Martin, P. W. Fanning, T. M. Gardner.

**STATE GEOLOGIST.**—If the services of the Professor have ever been worth ten cents to the State we have not been able to see it. Beyond an occasional voluminous "Report" printed with the people's money and sent out to be read by, perhaps, one in five hundred of our people, his services have been of about as much use as those of Hobson's Robbers.

## The Horrors of War.

The horrors of war are not all visible on the battle field, but must be looked for in the domestic life of the two countries engaged in the fight. And not only do the invaded suffer, but the invaders, too, must sometimes feel the penalties of want and destitution. Thus, the suffering in Germany, as well as in France, is reported as very great. A German paper states that in the province of Westphalia, at the beginning of October, there were 11,817 married women, the wives and widows of soldiers, together with 22,713 children, obtaining relief from the public funds. In Hanover, 9,624 women and 26,418 children were dependent upon the public for support. In the Rhenish provinces there were 14,312 married women, and 29,616 fatherless children who were utterly destitute. Thus, in only three Prussian provinces, there were, last October, 35,753 women and 78,750 children in a condition of misery and want, and it is believed that destitution to the same extent prevails in the other provinces of Prussia. The price of provisions is extraordinary high. If this be the condition of Germany, what must be that of France, whose territory has been invaded by an army of more than half a million of men.

## South Carolina Election Experience.

The Hon. C. C. Bowen, who arrived recently in Washington from South Carolina, claims that he has the strongest case of a contested election ever brought before any Congress. The Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune says:

"He says that the worst election frauds in New York are not to be compared with those perpetrated in every part of South Carolina. The State election law, which was enacted last March, affords every facility to dishonest managers and supervisors of election. By its provisions, the Governor is directed to appoint in each county a supervisor of elections, who, in turn, appoints three managers in each election precinct. After the polls are closed the managers are allowed to have the custody of the ballot-boxes for three days, at the end of which time they must make a return. In many cases in South Carolina the managers of election were candidates for the Legislature or for county officers, and could, therefore, during the three days that the ballots were in their possession fix them to suit themselves. Mr. Bowen says that he can prove in many precincts the ballots cast by the people were taken from the boxes by the managers and others substituted for them before the count was made, and that when it was found that even their opponents would not be defeated, they scratched the names of the latter from the ballots in other districts and substituted those of their own candidates. The only place in South Carolina where an honest election was held was Charleston, and there it took place under the provisions of the new United States election law. In 1868 Mr. Bowen's majority in Charleston was about 1,500. This year it was more than 3,000, and yet, so great were the frauds in the country, that he was 'counted out.' He estimates his rightful majority at about 10,000. He thinks the republican majority in the State is about 8,000. The majority returned is about 30,000. The people of South Carolina are very indignant that they have no redress.

**OUR TERRITORIAL AREA.**—The area of the organized territories of the United States, including Alaska, is greater than that of all the States which have been admitted into the Union. There are nearly 1,000,000,000 acres of land in these territories, and not over 50,000 white inhabitants. In natural resources this territorial domain is richer than the area included in the States. The latter contain say 40,000,000 settlers, and even these would hardly be near enough for neighborhood purposes. Railroads will open up the country and bring population. What a magnificent country to carve into homesteads for 40,000,000 landless people!

**24th.**—The Tallahassee Floridian, in alluding to the rumor that Littlefield had turned over to Col. Woodfin, Agent of the W. N. C. R. Co., a million and a half of Florida bonds, speaks thus discouragingly of the prospect of their early redemption by the State: "We are sorry for North Carolina. Twice she has been the victim of misplaced confidence—first by taking to her bosom the most accomplished scoundrel and adventurer of modern times, and last by supposing that Florida will hold herself responsible for a dollar of the million and a half of bonds that same adventurer swindled her out of. A provision in the Constitution is fatal to their validity."

**COINCIDENCE IN THE LIVES OF WASHINGTON AND LEE.**—The Leesburg Washingtonian points out several striking coincidences in the lives of these two great men as follows: They were both, says the Washingtonian, born in the county of Westmoreland, each married a Custis, and their names were made immortal by the brilliant part they played in the two great American wars—and when Colonel Charles Marshall, of Baltimore, who has been assigned the task of writing the biography of General Lee shall have finished his task, both will have had their history recorded and their fame handed down to posterity, by two of the same distinguished Marshall families of Virginia.

**25th.**—We are gratified to learn that our excellent representative from this Congressional District, the Hon. F. E. Shober, is very hopeful of the admission of Gov. Vance to his seat in the Senate next Spring, and that he is using all his influence to effect it. —*Salisbury Examiner.*

Never get another to do for you what you can just as well do for yourself. Money thus paid for trivial services is thrown away.

"My son" said an affectionate and anxious mother to her reckless offspring, "whenever you go skating be sure to choose a pond that hasn't any water in it, and then you'll never be drowned."

Among the premiums offered at a country fair in Kentucky is one of \$10 for the neatest patch put on an old garment by an unmarried woman.

A man arrived in Kansas City a few days ago, from Omaha, who had been a captive among the Indians for fifteen years. He was on his way to Galena, Illinois, his early home.

## Premiums Awarded

At the Annual Fair of the Mecklenburg, Yadkin and Catawba Agricultural and Mechanical Society, held at Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st and 2d.

## HORSES.

1st best blooded Stallion, over 4 years old, J. F. Goodman—lee pitcher.  
2nd best blooded Stallion over 4 years old, M. W. Goodman—castors.  
1st best blooded Stallion under 4 years old, E. D. Lentz, Cabarrus—castors.  
2nd best blooded Stallion under 4 years old, B. Cashion—gravy bowl.  
1st best blooded Mare, Dr. Joe Graham—one toilet set.  
2nd blooded Mare, C. A. Ashcraft—castor basket.  
1st best brood Mare, colt by her side, J. G. Potts—pick-a-daisy.  
1st best Mare, Dr. Joe Graham—water.  
1st best grade Stallion, premium awarded to Isaac N. Alexander—berry dish.  
Best Horse Colt 3 years old, D. G. Maxwell—card stand.  
Best Horse Colt 2 years old, J. Springs Davidson, Gaston county—butter dish.  
Best Horse Colt 1 year old, Dr. C. Mills, Harrisburg, N. C.—spoon holder.  
Best Filly Colt 3 years old, W. H. Trezevant, Columbia—butter dish.  
Best Filly Colt 2 years old, S. Watson Reid—syrup cup.  
Best Filly Colt 1 year old, J. M. White, Fort Mills, S. C.—bouquet stand.  
Best pair Match Horses, H. A. Roberts, Chester S. C.—one set castors.  
Best single Harness Horse, Silas McElree, Lincoln, N. C.—one butter dish.  
Best Saddle Horse, Dr. Columbus Mills, Harrisburg—one toilet set.  
Best pair Match Horses, J. S. Cureton, Lancaster—set dessert spoons.  
Fastest Horse 1 mile, C. T. Walker—one Tea set.  
Fastest single Harness Horse, time inside 3 minutes, W. H. Trezevant, Columbia. Time 2 min. 58 sec.—one tea set.  
Fastest single Harness Horse, time 3 min. 40 sec., G. McCauley, Cabarrus county—pitcher and waiter.  
Sweep Stake Race, 4 entries—Major Barry, S. C.  
Best Draft Horse, D. I. Twitty, Spartanburg, S. C.—butter dish and butter knife.  
Best Draft Mules, J. E. Caldwell—butter dish and butter knife.

**JACKS, JENNETS AND MULES.**  
Best Native Jack, J. Springs Davidson, Gaston co.—castors.  
Best Mule 3 years old, C. W. Hoyle, Gaston county—cream pitcher.  
Best Mule Colt 2 years old, James Scott, Cabarrus—cream pitcher.  
Best Mule Colt under 1 year, P. J. Sinclair, Gaston co.—cream pitcher.  
Best Native Jennet, James Scott, Cabarrus—card stand.

**CATTLE.**  
Best Durham Bull, J. T. Suggs, Gaston co.—celery stand.  
Best Devon Bull 4 years old, E. B. Stowe, Gaston county—card stand.  
Best Devon Bull 3 years old, Mrs. E. C. Brown, Davis co.—mustard cup.  
Best Devon cow, J. M. Potts—goblet.  
Best grade Bull, Caleb W. Hoyle, Gaston co.—spoon holder.  
Best grade Cow, A. B. Young, Cabarrus county—project holder.  
Best grade Calf, P. J. Sinclair, Gaston co.—two knife rests.  
Best Yoke of Oxen, J. Springs Davidson, Gaston county—cake knife.

**MULE RACE.**  
Fastest Mule, any color, Delaware Banks—tin coffee pot.

**HOGS.**  
Best Chester Boar, H. B. Williams—chased pitcher.  
Best Chester Sow, Groot & Scarlett—cup No. 27.  
Best Essex Sow, Groot & Scarlett—cup No. 40.  
Best Sow and Pigs, 11 in number, J. Springs Davidson, Gaston co.—goblet No. 27.  
Largest and Fattest Hogs, age considered, J. S. Myers, Mecklenburg co.—tea waiter.  
Best grade Pigs, J. S. Myers—cup No. 39.  
Best Essex Sow, W. H. Houston, Charlotte—mustard cup.  
Best Chester Pig, Master Frank Wilkes—cup.

**SHEEP.**  
The Committee upon Sheep, respectfully report: That there was but one pair of South Downs, and one pair of Merinos on exhibition.

The South Downs are pure blood, but not a fair sample of their kind and the Merinos are also pure stock, and fine bred but like the South Downs, below a fair standard of their stock in size, symmetry and general appearance.

Your committee feel that the introduction of the improved varieties of this valuable stock into this country is of importance to its prosperity, but do not think the samples exhibited are in themselves deserving the award of premiums.

W. McLEANS, Chn.

**SAMPLES OF CROPS.**  
Best Bale of Cotton, J. R. Means—cake knife.  
Best Bag of Flour, L. N. Wilson—cup.  
Best Leaf Tobacco, B. S. Guion, Lincoln—fish knife.  
Best Manufactured Cigarette, D. R. Leak—salt cellar.

Best Smoking Tobacco, J. R. Hawkins, Danville, Va.—cup.  
Best Sorghum Syrup, A. A. McKenzie—syrup pitcher.  
Best Sorghum Sugar, A. A. McKenzie—cup.  
Best Turnips, John R. Allen—1 paper weight.  
Best Broad Corn, Maj. J. M. Potts—goblet.  
2d Best Broad Corn, John Boyd, Cabarrus county—butter knife.

Best Field Corn, A. H. Brown—cup.  
Best Sweet Potatoes, A. C. Hege—salt cellar.  
Best White Wheat, J. C. Tate, Morganton—cup.  
Best Red Wheat, A. C. Hege—napkin ring.  
Best Oats, A. C. Hege—napkin ring.  
Best Rye, A. C. Hege—paper weight.

**GARDEN VEGETABLES.**  
Best dozen Cabbage Heads, E. A. Springs—napkin ring.  
Best half bushel Beets, Dr. W. J. Hayes—napkin ring.  
Best Egg Plants, Miss Corn Johnston—napkin ring.  
Best Potato Spudges, M. L. Wriston—knife rest.  
Best variety of Potatoes, Caleb W. Hoyle, Gaston county—cup.

**FRUIT.**  
Best half bushel Apples, Shockey, J. M. Potts—knife rest.  
Largest variety of Apples, 25 kinds, R. A. Springs, York District—cup.  
Best half bushel Winter Pears, Mrs. Jane McNeely—knife rest.

Best Grapes, A. C. Hege—pickle fork.  
Sample of Pears exhibited by Mrs. Edwin Alexander, very large Apples by H. Burgh, Marion, N. C.; samples of Apples by J. E. Smith, Burke and Son, N. C.—quantities not large enough to award premiums—all very fine.

**CARRIAGES.**  
Best Two Horse Carriage, Charles Wilson—one set table forks.  
Best Buggy, Charles Wilson—one cup.

The committee make favorable mention of a one-horse Rockaway exhibited by Joshua Trotter, also of one Patent Buggy by V. N. Mitchell of Cabarrus county.

**HARNESS.**  
Best Set Single Harness, W. E. Shaw—one set table spoons.

**BOOTS, SHOES AND LEATHER.**  
Best Shoes, South made, Jones & Bro.—cup.  
Best Boots, South made, Charles Roediger—sugar tongs.  
Best Upper Leather, T. D. McAlpine—cup.  
Best Calf Skins, T. D. McAlpine—napkin ring.  
Best Harness Leather, S. B. Meacham—salt cellar.  
Best Sole Leather, S. B. Meacham—goblet.  
Plaids of various styles, E. M. Holt & Sons—diploma.  
Plaids of various styles, Randleman Man. Co., Randolph county—diploma.

Cottonades, superior styles, E. M. Holt & Sons, Alamance—diploma.  
Bed Ticking, E. M. Holt & Sons—diploma.  
Cassimers, Jeans and Flannels, Concord Man. Co.—diploma.

**LADIES' DEPARTMENT.**  
Best 5 pounds Butter, Mrs. H. B. Williams—syrup pitcher.  
Best Jar Preserves, Mrs. H. B. Williams—set spoons.  
Best sample Jelly, Miss Betty Lawson, Danville, Va.—sugar tongs.

Best Jar Pickles, Mrs. R. Burwell—mustard pot.  
Best Jar Sweet Pickles, Miss A. Springs—salt cellar.  
Best Catsup, Mrs. T. W. Dewey—pickle fork.  
Best Loaf Bread made by a young lady, Miss Jennie Wolf—sugar tongs.

**DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.**  
Best home made Blankets, Mrs. F. Stafford—goblet.  
2d best home made Blankets, C. A. Hege—cup.  
Best home made Jeans, C. A. Hege—cup.  
Best home made Carpeting, Mrs. R. S. Young—table set.  
2d best home made Carpeting, Mrs. C. Mills—goblet.  
Best Thread Carpeting, C. A. Hege—knife rest.  
Best home made Heart Rug, Mrs. M. S. Whitley—set tea spoons.

Best Coverlet of Wool, Miss F. E. Smith—sugar basket.  
Best Patch-work Quilt in Silk, Mrs. Dr. McLean—cup.

Best Patch-work Quilt in Cotton, Mrs. W. B. Rutledge—set tea spoons.  
Best Worsted Quilt in Cotton, Mrs. Leard, Chester, S. C.—cup.

Best Patch-work Quilt by child under 14 years old, Miss Mollie Alexander—cup.  
2d best home made Jeans, Mrs. M. E. Smith—pickle fork.  
Best Woven Coverlet of Wool, C. A. Hege—pickle fork.

Best home made Flax Toweling, Miss Alice Springs—napkin ring.  
Best Flax Towel, C. A. Hege—pickle fork.

Best Waxed Cloth, Mrs. M. Bauman—cup.  
Best Hearth Rug, Mrs. Badger—cup.  
Imitation Marseilles Quilt, Mrs. W. E. Fancette—honorably mentioned.

Cotton Quilts Laid Work, Mrs. Salmie—honorably mentioned.  
Best Afghan, Mrs. T. W. Dewey—Mufflier.  
Best Feather Cape Afghan, Mrs. J. R. London, Rock Hill—suit seller.

Miniature display of Agricultural Fair, Master Richard A. Myers—napkin ring.  
Bird Cage, Master Latta Johnston—napkin ring.  
Model of Saw Mill, Master J. A. Puar—cup.

**DRIED FRUITS AND WINES.**  
Best Apple Brandy—silver cup.  
Best Domestic Wines, C. A. Hege, Lexington—silver cup.

Best Dried Fruit, C. A. Hege, Friedburg.  
The committee on fruit having their attention called to some fine samples of Dried Fruit, recommended the following premiums:

Whortleberries 329, Dried Cherries 326, Blackberries 328, Damsons 321, and greatest variety to Mr. C. A. Hege, of Friedburg.  
Best Dried Peaches 320, Apples 417, Pears 418, Blue Plums 419, belonging to C. A. Hege, of Lexington. R. F. Davidson, Chn.

We would advise a premium on a box of beautiful Honey, No. 465, also from Mr. Hege, of Lexington.

**CAKES.**  
Best Cake, D. M. Rieger—goblet.  
**SOAP.**  
Best 5 lbs Domestic Soap, J. H. Stephens—cup.  
Best 2d, Eugene M. Reed—honorably mentioned.  
Best box Candles, Mrs. F. Stafford—cup.

**ORNAMENTAL WORK.**  
Best Alum and Rice Baskets, Mrs. Helper, Davidson College—salt cellar.  
Best Leather Basket, Mrs. John E. Brown—napkin ring.

Best specimen of needle work, Mrs. P. Query—set tea spoons.  
Best specimen of Cross Stitch, Miss Jessie Brown—cup.

Best specimen of Embroidery, Mrs. Baxter Moore—salt cellar.  
Best Embroidered Child's Dress, Miss A. Cureton—cup.

Best Embroidered Gent's Vest, Mrs. Bolton—pair of napkin rings.  
Best Wax Fruit, and other material, Mrs. Turentine—sugar tongs.

Best Wax flowers, Mrs. Montgomery, Hillsboro—cream pitcher.  
Best Sewing work, Miss Johnnie Evans—salt cellar.  
Best picture frame, Miss H. Hecker—pickle fork.  
Best bead work, Mrs. Alice Owens—two napkin rings.

Best hair work, Mrs. Helper, Davidson College—salt cellar.

**HATS.**  
Handsome Ladies' Hat, Child's Hat, Child's Cap, in a case, Miss Elsie Williams—card stand.  
Handsome Ladies' Hat Dress, Mrs. S. J. Stephens—set tea spoons.

Handsome Tidy, woolen, Mrs. J. R. London—two napkin rings.  
Handsome Tidy, linen, Mrs. M. C. Wootton—two napkin rings.

Best Ottoman Cover, Mrs. Dr. T. K. Cureton—cream pitcher.

**PAINTING.**  
Best Landscape Painting, Miss L. Norwood—toilet set.  
Best Oil Painting, portrait of General T. J. Jackson, Mrs. John E. Brown—set dessert spoons.

2nd Best Oil Painting, Miss Julia Stroud, Chester—goblet.  
Best Pencil Drawing, Miss Bettie Parks—cup.  
Best Water Colors, Miss A. Jones—pair knife rests.

Best Photograph, J. S. Broadway—cup.  
Best Pen Drawing, Miss Lizzie Yates—cup.  
Best Penmanship, A. S. Caldwell—napkin ring.  
Oil Paintings, Mr. Richardson, Lincoln—salt cellar.

Oil Painting Miss Green, Rock Hill—salt cellar.

**POULTRY.**  
Best Pair of Brahmas, T. W. Dewey—two knife rests.  
Best Bantams, Ben McAden—napkin ring.  
Best Ducks, Polish, P. J. Sinclair, Gaston county—butter knife.

Best Pair Paddle Ducks, Master Paul Wilkes—paper weight.  
Best Chinese Geese, N. S. Alexander—paper weight.  
Best Black Tartar Game, E. C. Moyley, Chester—paper weight.

Best Stone Fence Game, F. H. Dewey—pickle fork.  
Best Spanish Game, R. F. Davidson—pickle fork.  
Best Indian Game, J. M. Turentine—knife rest.

Best coop of Chickens, Mrs. M. A. Burwell—napkin ring.  
Best Guinea Fowls—R. T. Canaler—napkin ring.  
Best Turkeys, D. H. Hill—napkin ring.  
Best Pea Fowl, H. B. Williams—napkin ring.

**FARMING IMPLEMENTS.**  
Best 3 horse Plow, Cook & Ellyson—waiter.  
Best 2 horse Plow, Cook & Ellyson—goblet.  
Best 1 horse Plow, J. A. Thompson—cup.  
Best 2 horse Wagon, H. B. Brown—1 set tea spoons.

Best Horse Power and best Grain Separator, J. W. Cardwell & Co., exhibited by John Wilkes, agent—cake basket.

Best Corn Planter, J. W. Cardwell & Co.—diploma.  
Best Corn Sheller, Hege—cup.  
Best Sifter and Cradle, Hege—butter knife.

Best Cotton Planter, R. F. Norwood—cup.  
Best Harrow, V. N. Mitchell—cup.  
Best Cotton Gin, J. M. Elliott, Wilmersboro, exhibited by Cook & Ellyson, agents—cup.

Best Hildike Plows, J. H. Thompson—waiter.  
Best Straw Cutter, J. H. Thompson—goblet.  
Best Cultivator, Thompson—napkin ring.  
Best Cider Mill, Smith, Richmond, Va., by Cook & Ellyson—napkin ring.

Best Wheelbarrow, Cook & Ellyson—butter knife.  
Best Double Tree, John Russell—cup.  
Best Window Blind, John Russell—cup.  
Best Sash, John Russell—cup.

Best Mantel Piece, John Russell—cup.  
Blacksmith work, Mill Pick and Spindle, John Abernathy, exhibited by John Wilkes—cup.  
Mill Screws and Head Blocks, M. L. Frazier, by John Wilkes—cup.

Gearing and other castings, R. Culpepper, by John Wilkes—cup.

Follow-ware, Smith & Graham, Lincoln county—set spoons.

The committee drew attention to Steel Blade and Square, H. Farthing—honorably mentioned.

The large cast-iron Bear Gear, and other mill gearing manufactured by John Wilkes—honorably mentioned and diploma.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
Grand Piano, Charles M. Stief, Baltimore—diploma.  
Portable Agricultural Steam Engine, W. E. Tanner & Co., Richmond, exhibited by John Wilkes, agent—castor and diploma.  
Broom Corn, J. P. Smith, Charlotte, 30,000 lbs. raised on 50 acres—diploma.

Door Painting and Graining, Thos. B. Hewitt, Charlotte—cup.  
Silk Thread, Mrs. E. A. Conrad, Davie county—napkin ring.

Cedar Bucket, Jno. Hutchison, Newbern—diploma.  
Iron Fence, John Wilkes—diploma.  
Patent Spinning Wheel, B. N. Smith, Charlotte—diploma.

Printing, Smith, Watson & McLaughlin, Charlotte goblet and diploma.  
Fire Arms, D. Snyder & Son, Charlotte—goblet.

Saw Mill, John Wilkes—diploma.  
Lumber, P. S. Whisman—cup.  
Cane-bottom Chairs, J. H. Marsh, Lincoln—mustard cup.

Circular Saw, &c., Henry Diston & Sons, Philadelphia, by John Wilkes, agent—diploma.  
Force Pump, J. D. West, New York, by John Wilkes—diploma.

Brooms, J. B. Watson & Co.—cup.  
Marble Work and Lettering, Wilson, Charlotte—cup.

Wine Barrel and Kegs, C. A. Hege—diploma.  
Best Southern made Ride, Dumb, Jamestown, by Walter Brem—diploma.

**COTTON PRESSES.**  
The Utley Cotton Press, exhibited by Jos. Asbury, and the Dixie Cotton Press, C. A. Caldwell, were not examined by any committee as specimens of the drive and jam power as applied to this purpose both appear to be excellent, and diplomas are awarded to both.

**SPECIAL PREMIUMS.**  
No competition for premium offered by Barroughs & Springs of 1000 lbs Pacific Guano for the best yield of cotton on one acre.

Special premium by Cook & Ellyson for best plowman, Harvey Watts, (colored).  
Special premium by J. Y. Bryce & Co. of \$10 for the best bale of cotton, E. C. Grier, Mecklenburg county.

Some articles may have been overlooked in the press caused by the unexpected number of exhibitors. For these omissions the Society ask the kind indulgence of exhibitors.

Parties to whom premiums have been awarded can get them by applying to F. S. DeWolfe, Secretary.

**What is Home.**  
"Home," says Robertson, in his sermons, "is the one place in all this world where hearts are sure of each other. It is the place of confidence. It is the place where we tear off that mask of guarded and suspicious coldness which the world forces us to wear in self-defence, and where we pour out the unserved communications of full and confiding hearts. It is the spot where expressions of tenderness gush out without any sensation of awkwardness, and without any dread of ridicule. Let a man travel where he will, home is the place to which 'his heart untrammelled fondly turns.' He is to double all pleasure there. He is to divide all pain. A happy home is the single spot of rest which a man has upon this earth for the cultivation of his noblest sensibilities."

**THE MECKLENBURG FAIR.**—We learn it was a grand success. The number of visitors was very large. Capt. Thomas B. Bailey, formerly of Columbus Mississippi, and late of Nashville, Tennessee, but now of N. C., assures us that, though he had seen many large assemblies of people in the three States named, he never saw as fine looking and as well dressed body of people in his life as on that occasion. In fine specimens of the *gens homo* the valleys of the Yadkin and the Catawba may safely challenge the world. —*Salisbury North Star.*

Hon. T. J. Robertson has been re-elected United States Senator from South Carolina for the term of six years.

**GROCERIES, &c.**  
**E. M. HOLT & CO.,**  
Respectfully invite attention to their large stock of groceries, just received and for sale at reasonable prices, consisting in part as follows:

19 Barrels extra C Sugar,  
10 " Yellow C Sugar,  
11 " Coffee C,  
10 " Yellow "  
5 " Crushed "  
5 " Gran' "  
5 " Put in "  
10 " Black New Orleans Molasses,  
15 " Porto Rico "  
30 " Muscovado "  
20 " Common "  
10 Bags Choice Rio Coffee,  
10 " prime "  
25 " fair "  
20 " medium "  
1000 Sacks Salt,  
A large lot of Hemeck Leather—all grades,  
A large lot of Buggies and Ties always on hand,  
200 Boxes Soap,